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## Claims

## 1. Compounds of formula (I)

5 wherein

A is an alkylene group, an alkenylene group, an alkynylene group, a heteroalkylene group, a cycloalkylene group, a heterocycloalkylene group, an arylene group or a heteroarylene group all of which groups may be substituted;

Q is CR4 or N;

15  $X ext{ is } CR^7 ext{ or } N;$ 

Y is CR6 or N;

n is 1, 2 or 3;

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m is 1, 2 or 3;

 $R^1$  is H, F, Cl, Br, I, OH,  $NH_2$ , an alkyl group or a heteroalkyl group;

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R<sup>2</sup> is H, F or Cl;

R<sup>3</sup> is H, an alkyl group, an alkenyl group, an alkynyl group, a heteroalkyl group, a cycloalkyl group, a heteroaryl group, an alkylaryl group or a heteroarylalkyl group; all of which groups may be substituted with one, two or more halogen atoms or amino groups;

R<sup>4</sup> is hydroxy, a group of formula OPO<sub>3</sub>R<sup>9</sup><sub>2</sub> or OSO<sub>3</sub>R<sup>10</sup> or a heteroalkyl group carrying at least one OH, NH<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>3</sub>R<sup>10</sup>, PO<sub>3</sub>R<sup>9</sup><sub>2</sub> or COOH group or an ester of a naturally occurring amino acid or a derivative thereof, wherein the groups R<sup>9</sup> independently of each other are H, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl or aralkyl and wherein R<sup>10</sup> is H, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl or aralkyl;

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R<sup>5</sup> is selected from the following groups:

R<sup>6</sup> is H, F, Cl or OMe;

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 $R^7$  is H, F, Cl, OH,  $NH_2$ , a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group or a substituted or unsubstituted heteroalkyl group, or

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 $R^3$  and  $R^7$  can be linked via an alkylene, an alkenylene or a heteroalkylene group or be a part of a cycloalkylene or heterocycloalkylene group; in case  $R^3$  is no H and  $R^7$  is no H, F, OH, NH<sub>2</sub> or Cl; and

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R<sup>8</sup> is a C<sub>1-6</sub> heteroalkyl, a heteroarylalkyl, a heteroalkylaryl or a heteroalkylheteroaryl group;

- or a pharmacologically acceptable salt, solvate, hydrate or formulation thereof.
  - 2. Compounds according to claim 1, wherein R1 is H.
- 10 3. Compounds according to claim 1 or 2, wherein  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is F or H.
- Compounds according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein R³ is an ethyl, a 2-propyl, a C₃-C₆ cycloalkyl, a phenyl or a pyridyl group; all of which may be substituted with one, two, three or more fluorine atoms or amino groups.
- 5. Compounds according to any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein R<sup>3</sup> is a cyclopropyl group.

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- 6. Compounds according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein R<sup>7</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> together form a bridge of the formula -O-CH<sub>2</sub>-N(Me) or -O-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH(Me) -, wherein the preferred stereochemistry at the chiral center is the one giving the (S) configuration in the final compound.
- 7. Compounds according to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein R<sup>7</sup> is H, F, Cl or a methoxy group which may be substituted by one, two or three fluorine atoms.
- 8. Compounds according to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein X is N or CH.

9. Compounds according to any one of claims 1 to 8, wherein R<sup>4</sup> is hydroxy or a group of formula OSO<sub>3</sub>H, OPO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, OCH<sub>2</sub>OPO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, OCOCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COOH or an ester of a naturally occurring amino acid or a derivative thereof.

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- 10. Compounds according to any one of claims 1 to 9, wherein R<sup>8</sup> is a group of the formula -CH<sub>2</sub>NHCOCH=CHAryl, -CH<sub>2</sub>OHeteroaryl, -CH<sub>2</sub>NHSO<sub>2</sub>Me, -CH<sub>2</sub>NHCOOMe, -CH<sub>2</sub>NHCOMe, -CH<sub>2</sub>NHCS<sub>2</sub>Me, -CH<sub>2</sub>NHCSMe, -CH<sub>2</sub>NHCSNH<sub>2</sub>, -CH<sub>2</sub>NHCSOMe or -NHCOMe.
- 11. Compounds according to any one of claims 1 to 10, wherein R<sup>5</sup> has the following structure:

- 12. Compounds according to any one of claims 1 to 11, wherein Y is CH or N.
- 13. Compounds according to any one of claims 1 to 12, wherein A is C<sub>1-6</sub> alkylene, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkenylene, C<sub>2-6</sub> alkynylene, C<sub>1-6</sub> heteroalkylene, cyclopropylene, epoxide, aziridine, thioepoxide, lactame or lactone, all of which groups may be substituted.
- 14. Compounds according to any one of claims 1 to 12, wherein A is a group of formula  $-CH_2CH_2-$ ,  $-OCH_2-$ ,  $-OCH_2CH_2-$ ,  $-SCH_2-$ ,  $-SCH_2CH_2-$ , -CH=CH-,  $-C\equiv C-$ , -CH(OH)CH(OH)- or  $-CH(NH_2)CH(OH)-$ .

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- 15. A mono, di or tri sodium salt of a compound of formula (I) according to any one of claims 1 to 14, or mixtures thereof, especially a mono, di or tri sodium salt of a compound of formula (I), wherein R<sup>4</sup> is OPO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub> or OSO<sub>3</sub>H or mixtures thereof.
- 16. Pharmaceutical compositions containing a compound according to any one of Claims 1 to 15 and optionally carriers and/or adjuvants and/or diluents.
  - 17. Pro-drugs, which contain a compound according to any one of Claims 1 to 16 and at least one pharmacologically acceptable protective group.

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18. Use of a compound, a pharmaceutical composition or a pro-drug according to any one of Claims 1 to 17 for the manufacture of medicaments for the treatment of bacterial infections.